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SAN FRANCISCO wears a decidedly metropolitan **face** in all her thoroughfares and **havens**, crowded as they are with vehicles of every description, hurrying along with an impetuous haste, more observable in the **horses** than in the **carriages**. Cutmen are not content to drive at a moderate **pace**, but race their horses on rushing by at full speed, whether loaded or empty; express wagons dash along at a 2-40 rate, while omnibus drivers appear less inclined to draw them from their testy passengers by crowding "one more inside"—all are impelled with the hasty idea that "time is money."

There are **omnibuses**—of which there are several lines—a great convenience, and are generally well patrolled. The fare for the distance they run (about five miles) is ten cents, and persons residing in the suburbs are enabled to live on a more moderate income than they could in the States. But for this facility, it is quite probable that these omnibuses, by crowding citizens to live out of town, and yet enjoy all advantages of proximity, have been exerting a bad influence in reducing the formerly exorbitant **prices**—a generally supposed.

Foreign—One will be surprised at the number of horses to be seen in San Francisco, most of which have been imported across the plains from different parts of the Eastern States, and very few of the finest of the native stock. They are generally valued highly, a good draught and carriage horse being worth from five to seven hundred dollars, though ordinary horses are sold for as little as fifty. In purchasing a horse it always makes a vast difference the price of the old, whether the owner is anxious to sell; the real value of a horse is generally what his owner can get for him when he wishes to sell. Some of our fancy sporting gentlemen, who pride themselves on the ordinary animals they possess, would be repaid by a visit to San Francisco, and would be inclined afterwards to brag of their "unrivalled stock." Why, ordinary cart horses in that city, numbered by scores, are vastly superior to anything we can or ever could surpass; while many of the carriage horses are not surpassed, in size, color and quality, by any of the horses of the Eastern States. Efforts are being made to improve the native stock by the introduction of the "billionaires" from the East, and are said to be very successful.

CHEAP JOHN.—Not the least noticeable among the titillations of the city are the facetious "Cheap John's" establishments on Long Wharf or Commercial street, where nightly amusements are furnished for the benefit of the itinerant mining population, who patronize them pretty liberally. They date back to about 1852, and some of them are conducted with so much **snobbery** and tact as to be a source of considerable interest and profit. One thing is said to be an essential element in Cheap John's success, and that is, there may be a dozen or more of them, all of which are said to be considered the "original" concern. They are nothing more nor less than auction Jew shops—where every description of articles wanted by miners is worked off by a reversed plan of auctioneering. Every mode of attracting strangers is resorted to, and one shop is seen a pantomime show, which keeps crowd in laughter; in others drums and fiddles play up an excitement; while on the opposite side of the street the salesmen in turn form an orchestra, to treat brother Jonathan to an impromptu concert. The great object of Cheap John's is to attract as many as possible and keep a crowd together, which they are quite successful. The mode which Cheap John takes to effect his sales is original, and generally succeeds in making a trade without loss. For instance, gentlemen, is a case of twelve pairs of calfs to which you can have for one hundred dollars for ten dollars; or ten dollars for one pair. You can have a pair for nine dollars; yes, gentlemen, for eight dollars; only want seven dollars; and will take six; will let you have it at cost for five dollars; or, if you haven't got that, I will let you have it for four dollars. Don't all speak at once for three dollars and fifty cents for the same dollars. I shall give you five books for only two dollars and five cents, or two dollars and fifty cents. I don't wish to bid, gentlemen, but I will give you two dollars and twenty-five cents for the boots; yes, I will let them away for only two dollars; and some sagging minor in want of the article, steps forward and deposits his fee of two dollars, in which he may be followed by several others, who take part or all of the lot. Every article, from a jew's watch to a full suit of clothes, is put up in the same way, and the sale is aided by a system of auctioneering, interlarded with every amount of **humor**, and oaths. Good reasons, it is said, are never made, the articles are sold as they are, and the price is made at auction, sometimes in a damaged condition. Cheap John is very careful to keep the price of goods a little above cost and charges.

SABBATH LAW.—Although there has been a great movement in the respect shown to the Christian Sabbath in San Francisco over the state of things existing in former years, yet even now a very large portion, perhaps one third, of the retail stores, and all the liquor shops, are kept open on that day. Grocery stores, particularly grocers, express themselves opposed to doing business on the Sabbath, and say that they are obliged to do so in order to keep their customers. Wholesale stores, however, are closed this day. A law has been passed by the California Legislature at its last session, compelling the closing of all places of business on Sunday, except only market stalls and liquor stores, and places where custom requires to be kept open. The law goes into effect during the summer, and will doubtless exert a beneficial influence on the moral morals. A vast amount of liquors must be consumed in San Francisco, to give even an ordinary support to the six hundred shops engaged in the retail trade. The consumption of liquors in drunkenness are seldom witnessed in the streets, although the police records show that they do exist; and in this respect San Francisco can furnish some to Honolulu or our more moral sister port, Oahu, whose dockets, in the shipping season at least, are made up chiefly of inebriate cases.

MURKINS.—In her church architecture, San Francisco shows a most decided improvement over the old-fashioned, clapboarded structures known as such in the States. Churches are everywhere regarded as an index to the intelligence and liberality of the citizens. And in this respect San Francisco seems not to be far behind the States. Her population generally, never will be so much as a church going people, for it partakes more of the restless, pleasure-seeking nature, than in the States of the same size in the older States. It could hardly be, herwise with a population drawn together by gold mania, from every conceivable part of the globe. Some of her church edifices are very fine buildings, and though generally of smaller dimensions than those met with in Eastern cities, are in many respects, and much both inferior to the latter. Among those we have seen, are the finest in the city (Catholics), the St. Mary's, in Washington street, Dr. Scott's, on Bush street, Mr. May's and Dr. Anderson's on Stockton street. The latter is just completed and was dedicated during our visit to this city. It is not so large as about 750

and, to the evening of the dedication, must have held nearly 1000 persons. There are in all twenty-five places of worship in the city.

NEWSPAPERS.—Our sketch of San Francisco would be incomplete without a few remarks on its newspapers, though we make them at a risk of being informed that we are meddling with affairs that do not concern us, and on which we may not be well posted up. The San Franciscans are evidently a reading public, as will be seen from the number of daily and weekly papers published in that city and the eagerness with which they are sought for. The average number of daily papers printed is not less than 16,000, and often runs up to 20,000. There are, however, in a large number of weeklies, are circulated mainly in the city and about the city. There are seven dailies and some twelve or fifteen weekly issues. Although most of these papers receive a fair support, yet it must be confessed that there are more dailies than ought to or can well be sustained. The number is so great that their support has become a burden and tax on the people, but particularly on the merchants, who are constantly importuned for advertisements or aid in behalf of some new or old newspaper enterprise which needs assistance, and they naturally become averse to taking any paper, however worthy of support, lest they should be troubled with the same. Hence, in many cases, merchants pursue a course detrimental to their own interests and cease to advertise altogether. Now it strikes us that there is room for improvement in this matter. A leading first class journal is needed there, whose patronage and circulation may be so extended as to enable the publishers by reducing the subscription to one-half or two-thirds its present rate, to place it within the means of all to become subscribers. The establishment of no new journal would be required for that object, but the assuming of the character by one of the several, of the present existing daily papers, with this object. The form of the present daily papers would be that of a newspaper, but popular, and perhaps the size and form of the New York *Times* or *Herald* are such. To make that change would require a large capital, one of the improved fast presses, and business ability in its conductors commensurate with the undertaking. A daily paper sustained on a purely literary basis would inevitably take the lead of its cotemporaries, which might perhaps in time become sacrificed to its success. But the country and city would be the gainers in having a metropolitan journal of commanding influence, which by its more extended patronage could be supported at a less rate than the present newspapers. But whether the establishment of such a journal in San Francisco is feasible or not, we will not pretend to say, as we were merely a "looker on in Venice." We know that the effort was made in Boston a year or more ago, under favorable circumstances, and met with failure.

The value of a well conducted paper may be learned from the fact that a third interest in the Sacramento *Union* (a daily and weekly issue) recently changed hands for the sum of \$20,500. It should be stated, however, that the building and extensive job office owned by the proprietors. That journal is one of the best conducted papers in the State, and enjoys an extensive circulation, amounting, as we have been informed, to about 4000 copies of its daily and 4800 of its weekly issue.

News Depots.—Allied to the newspaper interest, at least in name, is the business of importing Eastern and European papers and magazines, the sale of which gives employment to a large number of persons. The importation of Eastern papers is confined principally to three or four firms, the leading importer being J. W. Sullivan, Esq., whose depot is located at the corner of Front and Market streets, and is the building and extensive job office owned by the proprietors. That journal is one of the best conducted papers in the State, and enjoys an extensive circulation, amounting, as we have been informed, to about 4000 copies of its daily and 4800 of its weekly issue.

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HAWAIIAN FLOUR COMPANY,
A. P. EVERETT, Treasurer and Agent.
AGENT FOR THE
New York Board of Underwriters.
The undersigned takes leave to notify Merchants, Ship Masters &c., that they are authorized Agents for the New York Board of Underwriters.
18-3y ALEX. J. CARTWRIGHT.

AGENT FOR THE
Liverpool Underwriter's Association.
The undersigned takes leave to notify Merchants, Ship owners and Ship Masters, that he has received the appointment as Agent for the LIVERPOOL UNDERWRITER'S ASSOCIATION.
July 1st ROBERT C. JANION.

AGENT FOR LLOYD'S
The undersigned begs to notify Merchants, Ship owners and Shipmasters, that he has received the appointment as Agent for these Islands for LLOYD'S LONDON.
July 1st ROBERT C. JANION.

HAMBURG-BREMEN
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
THE UNDERSIGNED, Agents of the above Company, are prepared to insure risks against fire in an ample manner, at moderate rates.
For particulars apply at the office.
MELCHERS & CO. 60-4
Honolulu, Oct. 11, 1857.

Fire Insurance Notice.
THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.
THE UNDERSIGNED begs to notify to those persons who have insured in this London weekly building or their contents within the precincts of Honolulu, that in consequence of the closure in this city, all such weekly buildings close together in narrow streets, to more risks in case of fire, and that the same will be closed, and the streets taken will not be removed on the expiration of their terms.
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THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY,
(established 1836). For Fire and Life Assurance at home and abroad.
Capital £1,250,760. Sterling.
The undersigned has been appointed Agent for the Sandwich Islands by ROBERT CHEESBIE JANION, at Honolulu.
J.C.F.

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Agent for the Bremen board of Underwriters. All average claim against the said Underwriters, occurring in or about this city, may have been made before him.
Agents of the Hamburg and Labeck Underwriters, Honolulu O.H. I.
July 1, 1854-5

E. HOFSCHLAGER & STAPENHORST
Agents for the PARIS AND BORDEAUX BOARDS OF UNDERWRITERS.
AVIS AU PUBLIC.
Les Soussignés, ayant été nommés Agents pour les Assureurs maritimes de Paris et de Bordeaux, préviennent le public en général et les Capitaines de navires marchands français, qui visitent les ports de ce royaume, en particulier, que dans tous les cas d'avarie, qu'il auraient lieu sur ces cargaisons, ils devront, faire constater et vérifier les faits devant eux, pour légaliser leurs réclamations contre les dites assurances.
E. HOFSCHLAGER & STAPENHORST.
61-4

UTAI & AHIE,
Agents for the Papeete, Tahiti, Port-au-Prince, at Hilo, Importers and Wholesale and Retail Dealers in China Goods, have on hand, and offer for sale, at their establishments on King street, No. 25, Coffee, and Back Sails, Sugar, Molasses, Syrup, Tea, Coffee, and a large and varied assortment of other useful merchandise.
Honolulu, August 12, 1857.
59-1y

J. H. WOODS,
Manufacturer, Importer and Dealer in Boots and Shoes of every description. Shoe Findings, Pumps, Sole, Ricing, Harness and Saddlery, Trunks, Valises, Sporting Gloves, Fats, and Masks, Black and Colored Hats, and all kinds of Leather Store goods of Port and Merchant Sale, Honolulu, H. I.
July 1st

CHAS. F. GUILLOT,
United States Surgeon, Physician to the Hawaiian Navy, Consulting American Seamen. Office next door to J. C. Snelling, Kahuamann street, Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A. He set teeth. Respectfully offers his professional services to the Hawaiian people, both civil and military generally. Medical and Surgical advice in English, French, Spanish, and Italian. Office from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. at all hours except at his residence.
Honolulu, August 12, 1857.
Jy 1-4

HONOLULU MEDICAL HALL,
Corner of Merchant and Kahuamann streets.
DOCTOR McKIBBIN, Surgeon, &c.
Is regularly supplied by Messrs. Perkins, &c., of the best quality. Family Medicines and Prescriptions carefully prepared. Medicine Chests examined and refitted on attendance at the office from 8 A.M. till 6 P.M., on week days. Home calls on Saturdays. At his residence, Union street.
69-4

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Office and Drug Store, Kahuamann Street, opposite Mackee's block. Ship's Medicine chest refitted, and prescriptions compounded. Hot cold vapor, shower and medicated Baths, at all hours 7-10 o'clock, and from 10 o'clock to 12 noon, for which money will be advanced on reasonable terms.
Jy 1-4

E. HOFFMANN,
Physician and Surgeon, office in the new drug store, adjoining the store of H. Haddick & Co., Queen-street.
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J. W. AUSTIN,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW.
Office in Honolulu House, over the Post Office.
65-6m

B. PITMAN,
Ship Chandler and dealer in General Merchandise, Walakea Bay, BILEI, HAWAII.
Keeps constantly on hand a valuable assortment of every description of goods required by whale ships and others. Has also on hand a large quantity of choice Flour, Groceries, and Provisions &c., at the adjacent notice, at the lowest favorable market prices.
Best family flour, sold by 2½ to 5000 barrels, being the tastiest, and free from tainting burials.
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GILMAN & CO.,
Ship Chandler and dealer in General Merchandise, Lahaina, Maui, H. I.
Ships supplied with recruits. Good facilities for storage. Cash furnished for bills of exchange.
55-1y

BOLLES & CO.,
Ship Chandlers and Commission Merchants and Dealers in General Merchandise, Lahaina, Maui. Whalers furnished with recruits at the shortest notice, in exchange for goods or bills of exchange wanted.
54-4f

JOHN THOMAS WATERHOUSE,
Importer, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in General Merchandise, complete, adapted to all climates.
July 1, 1856-f

S. HOFFMEYER,
Commission Merchant, dealer in Ship Chandlery, and General Merchandise, Lahaina, Maui, H. I. Ships furnished with recruits. Whalers Bill of Exchange on the U. S. &c. 1856-f

J. WORTH,
Dealer in General Merchandise, Hilo, Hawaii. Ships supplied with recruits at the shortest notice, on reasonable terms. Bills of exchange wanted.
July 1, 1856-f

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ARE THANKFUL FOR PAST FAVORS, and are prepared, with their present improvements, to supply Soap for all purposes, and ask and afford it at the lowest cost of production.
Persons ready to buy or contract for tallow, suet, and all kinds of kitchen grease.
63-1y

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Iron and steel and best quality of small sized coal for sale.
Also one excellent small steam engine with copper train complete, adapted to all uses.
D. M. WESTON.
2-4f

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ONE IN A VARIETY OF STYLES
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Orders may also be sent to Mr. WHITTAKER'S Book Binding Shop, at the corner of the Market and King streets.
Jy 1, 1856-f

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MERCHANTS doing business in any part of the Pacific Ocean, will always find a **Large and Well-Selected Stock of**
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